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11 MAY 67 IN 65343

1. NEWSPAPERS FOR PAST TWO DAYS HAVE CARRIED ARTICLES CLAIMING THAT MARTIN BORMANN, ESCAPED NAZI WAR CRIMINAL, IS NOW TEACHING GERMAN AT SMALL SCHOOL IN COBAN, GUATEMALA, OR IS NEAR LAKE IZABAL IN NORTHEAST.

2. ACCORDING TO LNPURE DEPUTY, GERMAN AMBASSADOR TO GUATEMALA, W. HELMUT VAN ALMSICK SAID AT COCKTAIL PARTY ON 9 MAY THAT HE STARTED ALL THIS FURORE. ALMSICK TOLD LNPURE DEPUTY THAT HE (ALMSICK) HAD RECEIVED ANONYMOUS LETTER IN MAIL ALLEGING BORMANN TO BE IN GUATEMALA, AND THAT HE HAD TURNED LETTER OVER TO GOVERNMENT FOR INVESTIGATION AND ACTION.

3. AT 1315 HOURS 11 MAY STUARDO GARCIA GOMEZ, CHIEF JUDICIAL POLICE, CALLED ☐ PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISER AND SAID JUDICIAL POLICE HAD ARRESTED MAN WHOM THEY THOUGHT WAS BORMANN. ADVISER SUGGESTED MATTER BE TURNED OVER TO FOREIGN OFFICE TO DETERMINE IDENTITY.

4. ☐ HAS NO OTHER INFORMATION OF SUBSTANCE CONCERNING BORMANN. IF IDENTITY PROVED, WILL REPORT.

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